

HOUSE RESOLUTION 54

By Jernigan

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jennifer Tygard.

WHEREAS, we were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Jennifer Tygard, a dedicated teacher at Bellevue Middle School who went far beyond the confines of the classroom in serving her students; and

WHEREAS, a native of the Bellevue community in Nashville, Ms. Tygard attended Bellevue Middle School herself prior to teaching and coaching there for eighteen years; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Tygard loved storytelling, and she became a teacher so she could tell her own stories in the classroom; her favorite subject to teach was Tennessee History; and

WHEREAS, she was truly a Good Samaritan who cared for the safety and welfare of her students above all other concerns; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tygard made sure her children and their families enjoyed Christmas, and she gave generously to them during emergencies and other times of need, including the 2020 flood, in which she lost everything she had; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Tygard served as a role model for her students and delighted in their accomplishments and, in many cases, the accomplishments of a second generation of students, the children of her previous pupils; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tygard served as an inspiration to her colleagues, and her friendship and counsel were highly valued by those who were fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, she was wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should shine a light on the bountiful life of Jennifer Tygard, an outstanding teacher and an even better human being who will be greatly missed by her colleagues, students, and friends; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Jennifer Tygard, reflecting fondly upon her life of purpose and commitment to others, and extend our sympathy and condolences to her family, colleagues, students, and many friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.